

eight hundred and twelve as aforesaid, for surveys which they have procured to be made, and for such charts of those surveys as may be in their possession.

AN ACT DECLARING VALID THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SUBSCRIBERS FOR IMPROVING THE NAVIGATION OF THE RIVER ROANOKE AND ITS WATERS, AT A GENERAL MEETING HELD IN THE TOWN OF HALIFAX, IN THIS STATE, ON THE FOURTH MONDAY OF OCTOBER, A. D. ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

(Passed at the session of 1816.)

Whereas an act passed at the last General Assembly, entitled
 “An act to improve the inland navigation of this State, so far as
 respects the river Roanoke and its waters,” directed that books Preamble.
 should be opened at a certain time, and at certain places, under the
 direction of certain persons named in the said act, for the purpose
 of receiving subscriptions to the amount of three hundred thousand
 dollars for improving the navigation of the river Roanoke and its
 waters; and whereas many of the persons so named failed to make
 returns of their books to the general meeting of the subscribers,
 held in the town of Halifax, in this State, on the fourth Monday of
 June last past, so that the acting managers could not then deter-
 mine whether fifteen hundred shares had then been subscribed, and
 the subscribers then present continued their meeting by adjourn-
 ment until the fourth Monday of October last past, at which time
 there being a general meeting of the said subscribers, held in the
 town of Halifax aforesaid, it appeared that fifteen hundred shares
 had been subscribed of the capital stock required for improving the
 navigation contemplated by the said act: Whereupon the said sub-
 scribers did proceed to organize “The Roanoke Navigation Com-
 pany,” and to appoint the president and directors thereof: And
 whereas doubts are entertained whether the said company has been
 legally organized, and the said officers legally appointed, for the
 purpose of removing said doubts and giving effect to the proceed-
 ings of the said subscribers, and to the spirit and meaning of the
 act aforesaid:

1. *Be it enacted, &c.*, That the proceedings of the subscribers
 for improving the navigation of the river Roanoke and its waters,
 at their general meeting held at the town of Halifax, in this State,
 on the fourth Monday of October last past, be and they are
 hereby declared to be legal and valid to every intent and purpose;
 and “The Roanoke Navigation Company,” then and there organ-
 ized and constituted, under the act passed at the last General As-
 sembly, entitled, “An act to improve the inland navigation of this
 State, so far as respects the river Roanoke and its waters,” is hereby
 declared to be legally organized and constituted under the said act;
 and the said company, so organized and constituted, shall have and
 be entitled to the rights, privileges and immunities by the said act

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